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OFFICERS			NEXT MEETING							PROGRAM	
			April								
PRES.	BILL BROWN	942-4365	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	IVAN OAKESON WILL SPEAK ON BOTTLE COLLECTING, THEIR PRESERVATION AND VALUES. BRING SOME OF YOUR BOTTLES AND IVAN WILL TELL YOU ABOUT THEM. IVAN IS A PROFESSIONAL BOTTLE COLLECTOR AND A MEMBER OF THE BOTTLE DIGGERS SOCIETY. HE REALLY DOES KNOW HIS STUFF FOLKS!	
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EDITOR	KAREN KAY	250-1663	25	26	27	28	29	30			

APRIL PROMPTNESS PRIZE: SILVER half DOLLAR -

As last month's drawing brought in double the amount of the previous month, your club is able to afford a better selection of tokens to offer to you on the 22nd. It looks like we have a very good selection this month. We have 50% more gold than last month. We also decided to start getting at least one or two quality tokens in each drawing (assuming we have enough money - half of the drawing money goes to pay for the book of S.L.C. tokens we got last year). We feel that the Mutual Trading token is just such a prize. Mutual tokens are none too common & the \$1.00 is the hardest to find. Others, such as the Metropole, are good values but may need a little cleaning (perhaps Bob can use it to demo cleaning methods). If any of you have extra tokens you would like to donate (tax deductible at list??), trade or sell for drawings, contact Eric Jameson.

TOKENS for APRIL TOKEN DRAWING				List	Retail
GOLD NUGGETS - .65g 3 Alaska gold nuggets					\$15.5
SILVER half DOLLAR -					
MUTUAL TRADING CO.	G/F \$1.00 in merchandise,	Mutual, Utah	HR 10		\$55
Spring Canyon, Carbon County. Near Rains & head of canyon.					
EDELWEISS BAR	G/F 2 1/2 in trade	S.L.C.	LR 10 (open)		
THE METROPOLE	(1902-1907 saloon) 6 1/4 cents	S.L.C.	LR7 (\$28-38)		\$15.
SALT LAKE STAMP Co.	ear tags G/F one free drink	S.L.C.	HR6 (\$35-45)		\$25.
SADLER MERCANTILE CO	G/F 6 1/4 in trade	S.L.C	HR6 (\$35-45)		\$15.
1902-1917 saloon					
HEMENWAY & MOSER #3,	G/F 12 1/2 cents trade,	Ogden, Utah	LR5 (\$14-24)		
KOZY CORNER	700 W 2nd So. G/F 10 cents in trade	S.L.C.	LR4 (\$8-16)		\$7.00
red light district saloon where congressman was arrested by police decoy					
BANK SMOKERY,	G/F 5 cents in trade	Ogden, Utah	HR4 (\$6-18)		\$5.00
MCOSE CLUB (1914-1933)	G/F 5 cents in trade	S.L.C.	LR3 (\$12-18)		\$6.00
BROWNING AUTO Co.	G/F \$10 on any car in stock	S.L.C.	LR2 (\$10-15)		\$8.00
UTAH STATE PRISON	inmate store G/F 10 cents	S.L.C.	LR1 (\$10-18)		\$5.00
LE ZOO	good luck souvenir	S.L.C., Ut.	LR1 (\$4-8)		\$5.00
CEDAR CELEBRATES SHAKESPEARE -	\$1 off DINNER	Cedar Cty, SLC	LR1 (\$8-16)		\$3.50
(custom version of Cedar City token, 200+ made, 2100 made for Cedar City)					
KAY JEWELERS (the Diamond people)	\$10.00 off,	S.L.C., Ut.	unlisted		\$5.00
C.S.A. 1862 half dollar restrike					\$3.50
SMITH'S PLACE,	wooden nickel, G/F one drink,	East Helena, Mt.			\$2.00

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear NUTS,

This past month I had an interesting experience. About a year ago I found a men's Cedar City High School ring while detecting around an old house in American Fork. Other than being a pretty good find, I didn't think much about it and placed the ring in a drawer with other miscellaneous "treasures".

This spring, while cleaning out the drawer I came upon the ring again. I decided to try and find the owner, who's name was inscribed inside the ring. Several calls to Directory Assistance in American Fork and nearby cities yielded no clues to the owner's whereabouts. Next, I called Cedar City High. A lady there said no one of that name lived in Cedar any longer but she would try and trace him through class reunion files. She would call me if she had any luck. Several weeks went by and I had almost decided to sell the ring for what I could get out of it when the ring's owner called me from Dallas, Texas. He was amazed that I had found the ring. He had lost it over twelve years ago and never expected to see it again. Since then I have sent the ring to him.

It was definitely worth the effort to return it since the ring was obviously worth a lot more to him than to me. Also, it is always good to give metal detecting some positive publicity.

This month our speaker will be on antique bottles. Many times I have thought there were probably old bottles in the area I was detecting, but I have never been quite sure how to find and dig them up. I have also wondered how much the few bottles I have found are worth. These and other questions should be answered at this month's meeting. See you there.

Bill Brown

PROFILES

LINDA ROBERTS (MEMBER)

Linda Roberts of Altadena, CA, (about 3 miles from the Pasadena Rose Bowl), has been a NUTS member for approximately 5 years. Linda is married and has two children: Michael (18) and Mark (14). She grew up in California and has a B.A./M.A. from University of Southern California. Linda is a school administrator with El Monte Union High School District. Her hobbies are skiing, hiking, and walking. Linda collects tokens, post cards, stock certificates from Park City, Utah. Linda and her family think Park City (specifically) and Utah (in general) are the prettiest places on this earth. Nice people-friendly town-lots of interesting history coupled with fun things to do and see.

WILLIAM KOS (MEMBER)

Bill is married and has been a NUT for 5 years. He grew up in Chicopeg, Mass., and E. Hartford, Conn. Bill has a B.S.E.E. from University of Hartford at W. Hartford, Conn. He is a senior test engineer at Thiokol Corp and lives in Brigham City, Ut. Bill's special interests are old dumps, fast cars, ghost towns, and ski areas. He would especially like to dig at Eureka, Ut. and Old Frisco, Ut.. He collects coins, tokens & bottles. He goes to car shows and the Salt Flats.

COMING EVENTS:

MAY 29, 30, 31 WILL BE OUR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY FRISCO TRIP SO START GETTING READY AND MAKING PLANS NOW!! THE FRISCO TRIP WILL BE A JOINT ADVENTURE WITH THE TRAILS WEST ARTIFACT SOCIETY OF KAYSVILLE. ON MAY 29TH WE WILL SIT AROUND THE CAMPFIRE AND RENEW OLD FRIENDSHIPS AND MAKE NEW ONES. MAYBE EVEN MAKE THE "FIND" OF A LIFETIME!! DON'T MISS IT.
JUNE 25, 26, 27 - ANNUAL NUTS COIN SHOW

A LIST OF UPCOMING TRIPS WILL APPEAR IN THE MAY NEWSLETTER, ALONG WITH INFO ON FRISCO.

FROM THE EDITOR

Our contest winner was George Wilson for his entry titled: "RESEARCH". He will receive an UNCIRCULATED 1889 MORGAN SILVER DOLLAR as his prize. We highly appreciate the entries by Sarah Lewis (featured last month) and by George.

DEADLINE FOR MAY IS MAY 19TH. THIS MEANS YOUR ARTICLE, LETTER, ETC., MUST BE TO ME BY MAY 19TH TO BE IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER.

We want to thank Eric Jameson for his very interesting talk and display of stock certificates last month. We appreciate all the time and organization Eric put into his presentation.

We have received some comments regarding the noise level at our last meeting. We request that members give their full attention to speakers, whether they are guests or members. Visiting can be conducted during break or before or after the meeting time. We are not pointing fingers, but are merely requesting that our speakers be given the respect due them. Each one has put a great deal of time and effort into presenting an interesting topic for us.

FROM BOB CAMPBELL:

The Utah Numismatic Soc 1993 medals are ready to order. We can get them at the club price of \$13 for Silver, \$3 for bronze & copper, prepaid. The deadline for ordering is April 21. Contact Bob Campbell at (801)467-8638. This is a Mormon Temple Centennial Commemoration Medal.

Our official 1993 NUTS CLUB medal, designed from Johnson's Souvenir Token for the Temple Dedication is ready to order. See the order form on the inside back page. The deadline for ordering our NUTS medal is May 27 (meeting night). The Silver medal is be \$13 and the Bronze is \$3. The Silver will need to be prepaid, limit 5 per member. We will only cast as many as are ordered.

The annual NUTS CLUB COIN & TOKEN SHOW will take place June 25, 26, 27 at the National Guard Armory, 1523 East Sunnyside Avenue. Our June 24th meeting will be held at the National Guard Armory and we will have a fun time as well as setting up for the coin show. More information will be available at the next club meeting.

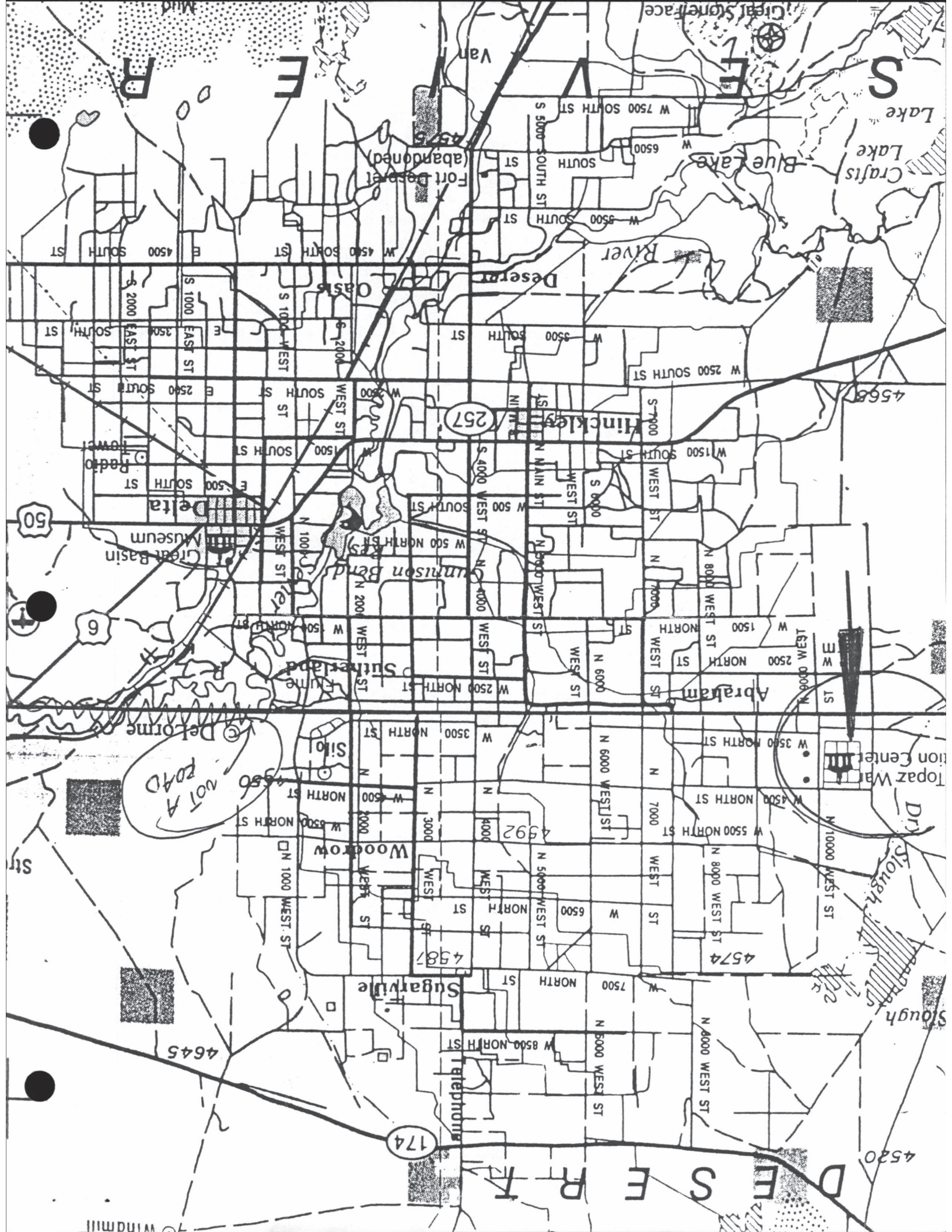
TOPAZ TRIP - MAY 1ST AND 2ND

Topaz, named for nearby Topaz Mountain, is not one of Utah's older ghost towns. Nevertheless, it is an interesting piece of U.S. & Utah History. After war broke out with Japan in 1941, the government devised a plan to relocate all Japanese people to concentration camps. Even though almost all were loyal American citizens, the U.S. Government deemed them a risk to national security. Topaz was one such camp. In Sept. 1942 the Japanese began to arrive & eventually numbered 8800 people, making Topaz the 4th largest city in Utah.

The site was a total of 19,800 fenced acres with guard towers every 1/4 mile around the perimeter. Inside, the town consisted of 42 square blocks with wide streets. Thirty four blocks were used for housing. The project staff lived in houses & apartments, and had offices in the north eight blocks. The military police occupied the NE corner. There was a post office, 5 churches, a theater, library, 3 schools, recreation halls, and several stores. The town also had its own 128 bed hospital & a fire department.

After the war ended in 1945, the Japanese were released & the buildings were sold & moved away. Everything else of value was salvaged & removed.

Today, remains of streets & foundations can still be seen. To get there, follow a state road map to the town of Delta. Then use the more detailed accompanying map to find the site.



INTRODUCTION

The Drum Mountains are in west-central Utah, about 100 miles southwest of Salt Lake City and 30 miles northwest of Delta (fig. 47). They occupy an area of 75 square miles on the west side of the Sevier Desert and form a southward continuation of the Thomas and Dugway Ranges. Whirlwind Valley to the west separates the Drum Mountains from the House Range.

The Detroit mining district with its abandoned settlement called "Joy" is near the center of the Drum Mountains, and most of the mines are in the higher part of the range a mile or two southeast. The region is barren of vegetation; and except in the bottom of washes rock exposures are almost continuous. The average rainfall

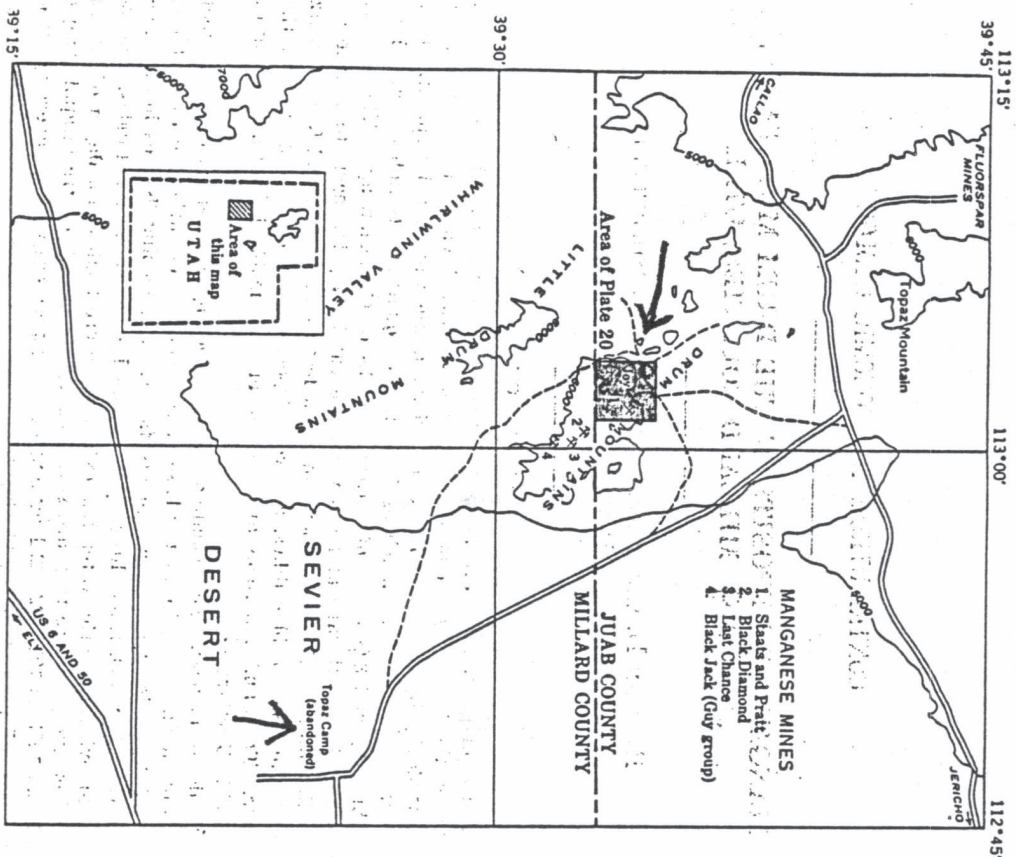


FIGURE 47.—Index map of western Utah showing location of the Drum Mountains, Utah.

is about 7 or 8 inches per year and there are no permanent streams. A small highly alkaline spring at Joy and one at Freighters Well about a mile northwest of Joy supply sufficient water for mining, but drinking water is usually hauled from Delta.

The principal manganese deposits are in the Staats and Pratt mines, in the southeast quarter of section 25, T. 14 S., R. 11 W., about a mile east-southeast of Joy (pl. 25A). The gold mines, around which early activity in the district centered, are mostly south of the manganese mines, and 1 to 3 miles south of Joy (pl. 20).

The nearest shipping point is the town of Delta, on the Union Pacific Railroad. Paved roads extend northwest from Delta for a distance of 17 miles, and in 1944 a Class II access road was completed from there to the Staats and Pratt mines, a distance of 25 miles. Unimproved dirt roads extend around and into the range.

Two types of ore deposits are present in the Drum Mountains, manganese deposits, which are the principal concern of this paper, and gold-copper deposits, which were the basis for the early mining activity in the district. Although the two types of deposits are of the same age and are related in origin, both their mode of occurrence and their composition are distinct, inasmuch as the manganese deposits contain only traces of precious and base metals, and the gold-copper deposits contain only small amounts of manganese. The gold-copper deposits are briefly described on page 515, but were not studied in detail.

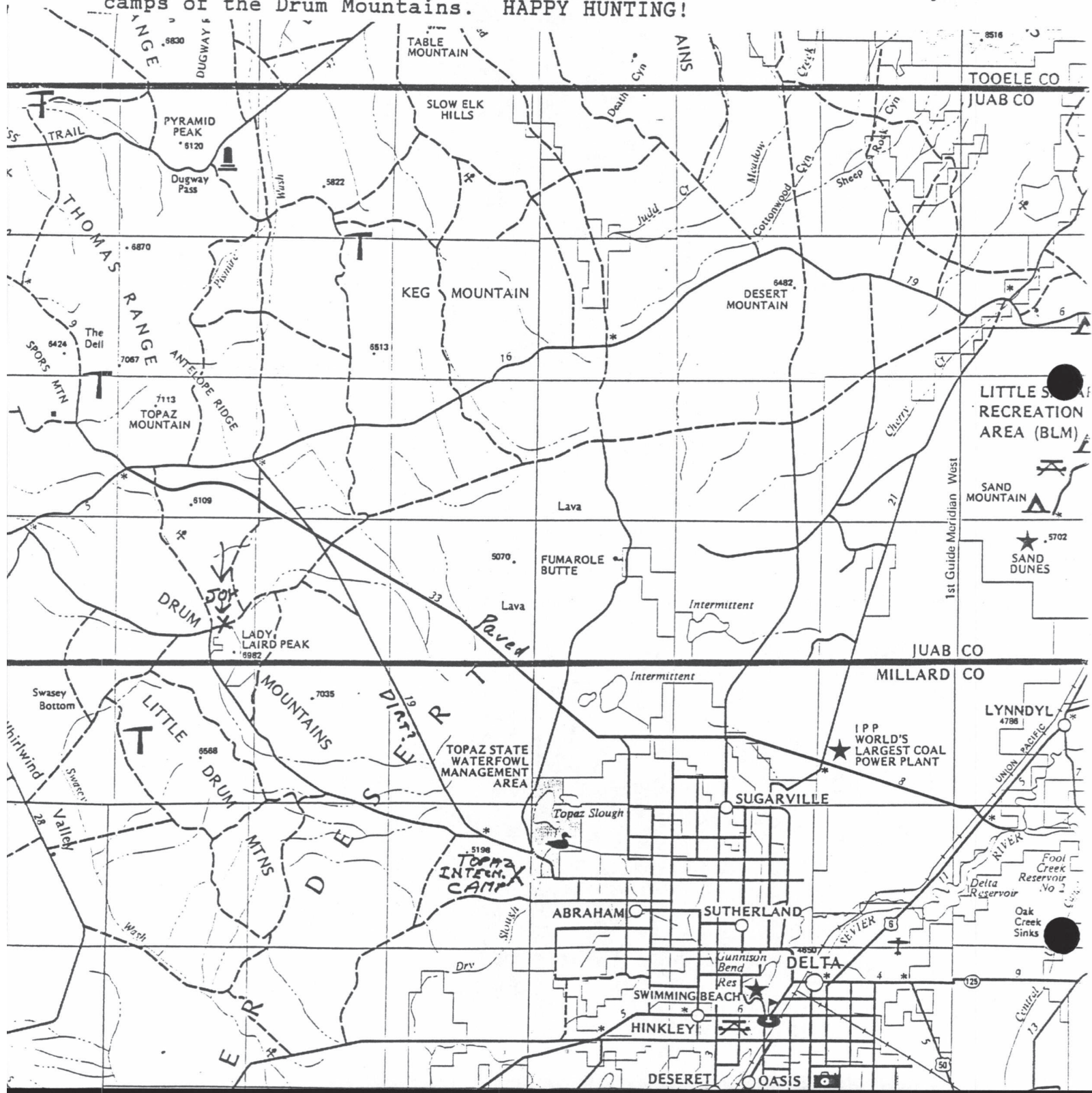
HISTORY AND PRODUCTION

Mining activity in the Drum Mountains began in 1872 (Butler and others, 1920) with the exploration of gold and copper deposits, and the Drum district was first organized in that year. It was reorganized as the Detroit district in 1879 and mining has continued intermittently since that time. Production was greatest from 1895 to 1918 and some gold-copper ore was mined as recently as 1941, but the total value is less than \$50,000. The town of Joy grew up during the early period of mining activity, but has been deserted for many years.

Although deposits of manganese were probably discovered in the early days, manganese claims were not reported in this district until 1913, and the first verifiable production was in 1924, when Harry C. Joseph began shipping manganese oxides from the Guy group. Small production from the Staats and Pratt mines began in 1925 and continued intermittently through 1941 by a number of operators, most of the ore going to the Columbia Steel Co. in Provo, Utah. In 1942 the ore bodies revealed by diamond drilling were developed and the ore was purchased and stockpiled at the mines by the Metals Reserve Co. Stockpiling was continued until February 1944, when the Geneva Steel Co. purchased the oxide stockpiles and began buying ore directly from the mines. Production during World War II was nearly double that from 1924-1941 (table 2).

MAY 1st, 2nd OUTING TO JOY & TOPAZ INTERNMENT CAMP

The club's first outing of the season is upon us. It is spring fever time when we must satisfy the call of the metal detectors. The first of May will take the club to the sites of the Topaz internment camp and the Detroit Mining District and the abandoned mining camp of Joy, 15 miles up the road. While the Joy townsite (it was a joy to get away from) has only foundations left, there are cabins left from the more recent work in the 40s in the gulch above town. There will be very detailed maps at the meeting for anyone wanting to go. While the roads are very good to Joy, it is to be hoped someone will bring a 4 wheel drive vehicle for going to the more remote locations. For people who have not been there before, WE WILL MEET AT THE REDWOOD MULTIPURPOSE CENTER AT 8:30, SATURDAY MAY 1, and go down as a group. The first stop will be Topaz camp and then on to the ghost camps of the Drum Mountains. HAPPY HUNTING!



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